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The weather was exceptionally mild during December. The average temperature for the month was about 3.5 degrees centigrade, or 2 degrees warmer than for the average December. One indication of the mild weather is the fact that there was only one day in the month when the temperature remained below freezing for the whole day. The temperature rose above 5 degrees almost every day in the month, and on the 10th and 28th the weather was so mild that even at night the temperature did not go below 8 degrees. There were freezing temperatures only 3 nights during the month.

There was an extremely large amount of sunshine for a month with the shortest days in the year. In Budapest, for example, there were 61 hours of sunshine or 20 hours more than the average. There were only 10 days when the sun did not come out.

Rainfall was also favorable during the month. After a record-breaking rainfall in November, that for December was also above average. Distribution of rainfall was uniform throughout the country. The southern area of the region between the Danube and Tisza rivers and Trans-Danubia had the least rainfall, and the northeastern part of the country had the most with a reading of 100 millimeters at Tiszabecs. As a result of mild weather there was very little snow during the month and that melted very quickly. Snow cover did not remain for long periods even in the high mountains.

The weather was also very favorable from an agricultural point of view. The abundant rainfall during November and the plentiful sunshine during December were excellent for the rye crop. The weather was also good for wheat and did not interfere with fall plowing. A large majority of the working peasants completed their fall deep plowing on time.

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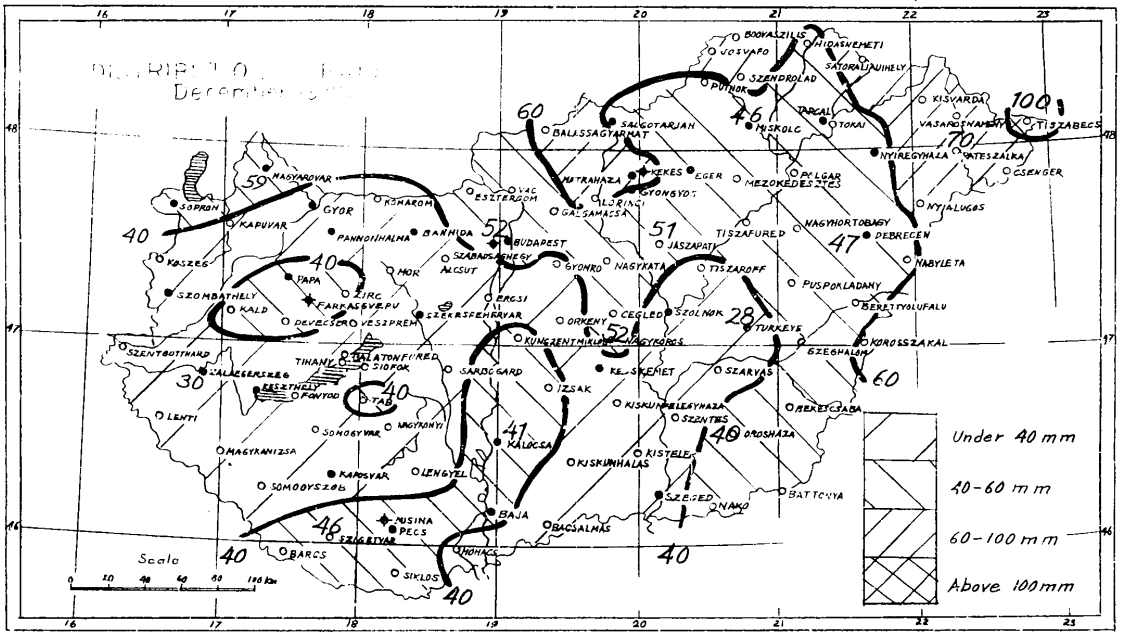

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